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micro-controller (100) when detecting unauthorised disconnection.

Amend claim 5 as follows:

--5. (amended) An apparatus according to claim 1, characterised by identification means, identifying a user and possibly authorising the operator or user after comparison with a register, whereby the electronic equipment is unlocked.

## Amend claim 7 as follows:

--7. (amended) An apparatus according to claim 1, characterised in that said energy provider (205,210) is an autonomous power supplying means (210), such as a battery, supplying the apparatus with electric power after having been disconnected from an external power source (300).

Amend claim 8 as follows:

--8. (amended) An apparatus according to claim 1, characterised in that voltage generating means (215) generates voltage and/or current, which is lead through electronic circuitry, whereby essential electronic components within the circuitry are irreversibly set out of order.

Amend claim 9 as follows:

--9. (amended) An apparatus according to claim 1, characterised in that a destruction means (200) is adapted to generate a destructive injection, preferably of a highly conductive and/or corroding chemical fluid, which is distributed over essential electronic components, whereby the components are irreversibly set out of order.

Amend claim 10 as follows: